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Health Department Returns to West End Presbyterian Church August 19 to Offer COVID-19 Vaccinations

On Thursday, August 19, the Moore County Health Department will be returning to West End Presbyterian Church (275 Knox Lane, West End) to offer first and second dose COVID-19 vaccinations. The event is open to any member of the general public seeking the vaccine and is scheduled from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. with no appointment required. Second doses will be available for those who participated in the church's last vaccination event held on July 29. Booster doses will not be offered.

Ages 12 and up are currently eligible to receive the COVID-19 vaccine. Anyone age 12-17 seeking a COVID-19 vaccination must be accompanied by a parent or guardian who can provide consent. At this time, the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine is the only COVID-19 vaccine that has been authorized for use by people ages 12-17 years old. COVID-19 vaccines are free to everyone, regardless of whether you have health insurance.

The Moore County Health Department, located at 705 Pinehurst Avenue in Carthage, continues to offer weekly COVID-19 vaccine clinics to anyone seeking their first, second, or third vaccine dose. Appointments can be made by calling **910-947-SHOT (7468)** and walk-ins for first or second doses will also be accepted on vaccine clinic days which are held each Thursday from 8:30 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. and from 1 p.m. to 4:15 p.m. Appointments for boosters <u>must be</u> scheduled by calling **910-947-SHOT (7468)**. Walk-ins for boosters will not be accepted at this time.

As new COVID-19 cases have been on the rise over the last few weeks, the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services is urging all unvaccinated North Carolinians age 12 and older to get a COVID-19 vaccine to protect against severe illness, hospitalization and death. More than 94% of recent North Carolina cases are in people who were not fully vaccinated. People who are unvaccinated are at risk for infection by the more contagious and potentially more dangerous Delta variant.

Detailed information about COVID-19 vaccines can be found at www.vacunste.nc.gov (English) or www.vacunate.nc.gov (Spanish). To find other vaccine providers near you, anywhere in North Carolina, you can use the vaccine locator tool found at www.myspot.nc.gov.

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